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SETTING UP OF QUESTION PAPER FOR CBSE EXAMINATIONS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the question papers set for the 10th and 12th class for CBSE students are mostly basedon the other books rather than the NCERT books;

(b) if so, details thereof alongwith the parameters fixed for the purpose;

(c) whether the parameters are strictly followed while setting examination papers;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) & (b) : CBSE has informed that the question papersof the CBSEare set in accordance with certain predetermined parameters covering the entire syllabus which is prescribed for the studies. CBSE also provides an elaborate design and blue print which forms the basis for preparing question papers by the subject experts. However, it is always advisable to concentrate on NCERT books since these books provide required coverage of the prescribed syllabus.

(c) & (d) : Yes Sir, the parameters are strictly followed by the CBSEwhich provides weightage in terms of marks to instructional objectives like knowledge/understanding/application/skill; form of question(short-answer/essay-type); content units & level of difficulty. Beside this, CBSE also provides variety as well as choices in questions to the students.

(e): Does not arise.